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Healthy Fund-Raising Ideas

School fund-raising activities should support healthy lifestyles. Thus, schools should use healthy food fund-raisers, nonfood fund-raisers, and physical activity fund-raisers.

It is recommended that the sale of food or beverages in schools for fund-raisers should not take place until the end of the last lunch period.

For more information

Child and Adult
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doe.sd.gov/cans



Coordinated School Health
South Dakota Departments of Education and Health
healthyschools.sd.gov

The following is a list of options for healthy fund-raisers in schools. It is by no means a complete list; many additional ideas for healthy fund raising exist.

Fund-raisers that support academics:

- Read-a-thon
- Science Fair
- Spelling Bee
- Workshops or Classes

Fund-raisers that support the arts:

- Art Show
- Concerts
- Dances
- Play/ Musical/ Talent Show
- Singing Telegrams
- Rent-a-Music Group

Fund-raisers that support physical activity:

- Walk-a-thon/ Bike-a-thon/ Jump-rope-a-thon
- 5 Mile Run/Walk or other Fun Run/Walk
- Golf, Tennis, or Other Sports Tournament
- Bowling or Skate Night
- Sports Camp or Clinic
- Free Throw Contest

Activities to raise funds:

- Auction or Silent Auction
- Garage Sale
- Car Wash
- Rent-a-Teen or Rent-a-Kid
- Haunted House
- Penny War
- Recycling Drive

